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SALE OF COAL AT SUBSIDISED RATE
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Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:

(a) whether the coal is sold at subsidized rates to different categories of consumers in the country;

(b) if so, the rates at which coal is sold and the subsidy provided during the years 2004-05 and 2005-06;

(c) the basis on which the consumers are put in different categories by the Government;

(d) the details of consumers who are getting coal at subsidized rates; and

(e) the charges that are likely to be effected during the year 2006-07?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COAL (DR. DASARI NARAYANA RAO)

a): Coal is not sold to different consumers by Coal India Limited (CIL) on subsidized rates as compared to the notified rates declared by CIL in the price notification issued for different grades/sizes of coal for different coalfields/coal companies.

b) Does not arise in view of (a) above.

c) The consumers have been broadly categorised into two categories, namely, Core Sector and Non-Core Sector based on the role being played by the industries in the national economy and its relative infrastructural importance.

d) Does not arise in view of (a) above.

e) During the year 2006-07 also, no proposal for sal of coal on subsidized rates below the notified price was considered.